

ARIZONA READY EDUCATION COUNCIL K-20 EDUCATION FUNDING TASKFORCE

March 1, 2013 @ 8:00-9:30am 1700 W. Washington, 3rd Floor Conference Room Phoenix, AZ 85007

Meeting Notes

Present: Dr. Craig Barrett, Susan Carlson (telephonic), Tim Carter, Hugh Hallman (telephonic), Jay Kaprosy, Alan Maguire, and Doreen Zannis

Members Absent: Chuck Essigs, Dr. Rufus Glasper, Colleen Niccum, and Stacey Morley

Staff: Dale Frost, and Rebecca Gau

Call to Order, Welcome & Introductions

Dr. Barrett called the meeting to order at 8:08 a.m.

Approval of Meeting Minutes

Grammar and spelling discrepancies were noted on the January 25, 2013 Task Force meeting minutes. Hugh Hallman moved for the approval of the minutes with the appropriate changes. Tim Carter seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Legislative Bills Update

Chair Barrett introduced Dale Frost with the Governor's Office. Mr. Frost first offered the Task Force members an update on SB1444 advising them of current proposed amendments to address three main concerns;

- If don't get performance funding you are able to request assistance from a solutions team
- A look at A-F model to ensure it is rigorous in year 4 or 5
- 2016 ability to grade on a curve based on PARCC scores

Mr. Frost then introduced Senator Chester Crandell to review his current bills and education funding. Sen. Crandell started by reviewing his ideas on education funding reform as outlined in his handout. Sen. Crandell also offered information on his bill SB1293 pays district based on outcomes of 21st century workplace skills, such as communications and ability to work in a group. Sen. Crandell then advised that his bill SB1295, which proposed to move school districts toward current year funding, has been held in Committee. Mr. Frost then offered a brief overview of the following bills with the Task Force;

- 1352 allows school districts to lease with a non-profit for buildings and grounds
- 1363 empowerment scholarship account expansion
- 1447 school finance revisions
- 2237 bonding level increases
- 2488 increase funding for 200 day school year

- 2499 JTED funding calculation
- 2543 provisional community college tuition
- 2581 kindergarten override

CB: if 2013 comes up what happens with inflation funding.

DF: if voters clarify the resolution to define if the inflator would be funded

AM: it would have to be clarified to ensure funding was available

Taskforce Comments

Dr. Barrett reviewed next steps:

- Continue discussion on Sen. Crandell's funding reform ideas
- Legislative updates on 1444 and other bills

Next Meeting:

- April 17
- May 23
- July 8

Call to the Public

There were no requests from the public to address the Taskforce.

Adjourn

With no further business before the Craig Barrett adjourn the meeting at 9:38 a.m.